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Coun. Shane Keating affixes a magnetic ribbon to a city vehicle Monday, the first of thousands that will adorn the city's fleet for the next year to honour first responders. For the story, see page 10.

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63 residents given unidriveway warning

Must 'stem the tide.'
City's bylaws could be amended to prevent long paved stretches

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Move your ride or face a fine.

That's the message Calgary bylaw officers have sent to 63 homeowners, who've been found with what have been dubbed "unidriveways."

In each case, the owner has taken it upon themselves to put down concrete in place of grass on their front lawn, back lawn or both. The result has left some blocks with long stretches of paved space that poses challenges for visitors to the community hoping to park on the street as well as for drainage and snow removal.

Metro first reported on what some have called a suburban trend in October. It was indicated in early November that an enforcement team had been created to crack down on the unidriveways.

Now, Cliff de Jong, a senior special-projects officer with the city, said 63 of them have been found in a number of communities to date. Residents have been told to move their cars from the newly paved spot immediately or face a fine.

"We're not looking at relaxing the rule and we want to rectify as much of the situation as we can without (creating) full financial ruin for these folks," he said.

"We're looking for compliance. Sometimes the road to compliance takes a long time."

The city has learned of existing unidriveways largely through complaints, and de Jong conceded there are likely more flying under the radar.

Saddle Ridge Community Association president Judy Brown said she's aware of more than 60 such sites in her community alone. Metro snapped a photo in October of one block where four houses in a row had eliminated front-yard grass.

"It looks like a used-car lot," she said.

Brown said she's aware of other unidriveways in Martindale and at least one down in the McKenzie area.

"I don't think they (city bylaw officers) have found all of them," she said. "(The McKenzie resident) paved the front lawn and back lawn; she just didn't want to mow the lawn anymore. Excuse me? Where's all the water going to run off?"

De Jong said his team is also working on the "future scenario" and amending bylaws to prevent future unidriveways.

"To be quite honest, our bylaws didn't anticipate this.... We want to provide information for the public that this is a scenario that's just going to cause you grief," he said.

"We really do need to stem the tide.... It's not a trend that's acceptable. You don't want to be in a position where you have to forcibly remove portions of the concrete. It's a waste of money at this point."

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Council urged to hand facilities over to sports groups

Calgary should get out of the business of running sports fields and let sports groups take over more recreation facilities, city council heard Monday as it began budget deliberations.

Coun. Shane Keating said handing off the responsibilities for operations and maintenance of things like soccer fields and baseball diamonds could save the city money.

"We should not always say that a city of our size can always run everything in the best and most efficient way," he said. "Therefore, for those who can do it and they know the business, let them take it over."

Local softball players are fed up with continual fee increases and "horrible" maintenance at city-run facilities, said Derek Hann, executive director of Softball Calgary.

"City diamonds are too expensive for what we get," he told council. "It's to the point where our members are asking us if it's worth it anymore."

Kyle Jones, the volunteer president of Softball Calgary, said his organization would be happy to take over operating and maintenance tasks at facilities like Shouldice Park and has offered to do so, but city staff members have rebuffed the offers.

"We've mentioned it several times but we generally just get laughed at."

Mayor Naheed Nenshi said the question of who should run city ball diamonds is a question "well worth asking."

ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Budget. Businesses pay too much tax, CFIB says

Calgary businesses pay too much in tax, in part to cover the costs of city workers' inflated wages, the Alberta director of the Canadian Federation of Independent Business told council Monday.

"All businesses in Calgary pay four times more than residents based on the same assessed value of property," Richard Truscott said, referring to the rough difference between residential and non-residential property taxes.

Richard Truscott
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That money largely goes to cover wages for public-sector employees, Truscott added, who make 26 per cent more than comparable workers in the private sector, according to a 2008 report he brought to council.

But Coun. Richard Pootmans noted that Calgary's wage differential was the lowest of four cities highlighted in that report and lower than the national average of 36 per cent.

"This is your presentation and advocacy saying we're doing a poor job, and yet your advocacy is saying we do the best job," Pootmans told Truscott.

"The situation is either bad or it's really bad," Truscott replied. "Calgary's got a pretty significant differential, but many other cities have it worse, you're right."

Calgary's property-tax haul, as it stands, is set to increase by 4.7 per cent in each of the next four years.

Council could adjust that figure during budget deliberations this week.

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Don't raise subsidized pass cost: Transit users

Budget Day 1. City council hears public submissions to kick off up to two weeks of financial deliberations

Transit advocates called for more service hours and low-income riders urged council not to raise rates for subsidized passes as the first day of Calgary budget deliberations got underway Monday.

"With the rent and food increase that's going on right now, it's going to be impossible for me to be able to afford my bus pass and to get around," said Tammy Poirier, who lives on assured income for the severely handicapped (AISH) and opposes a planned $3-per-month increase to the low-income transit pass.

That amount may not sound like a lot, said Colleen Huston of Disability Action Hall, but it can have a profound impact on people living in long-term care facilities on "modified AISH," which amounts to $315 a month.

Transit user Brodie Boychuk outside city council chambers on Monday.
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"That's all you have left to buy your spontaneous Slurpee or your hygiene products," Huston told council.

Brodie Boychuk asked council to freeze the rate on the low-income bus pass.

"I will need to cut back on my outings," he said, if council goes ahead with the hike.

Jeremy Barretto of Transit Camp, meanwhile, said he was "confused" by the city's budget, which calls for 10 per cent fewer transit service hours per capita than in RouteAhead, Calgary's long-term transit plan.

"I think that's insufficient," Barretto said.

Mayor Naheed Nenshi said hours per capita is a poor metric for measuring transit, as cities will always fall behind during periods of growth, even when "buses aren't full."

The city's largest looming transit investment is moving to four-car C-Trains, Nenshi noted, "which does zero for transit hours per capita."

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Premier Jim Prentice announces Monday at the legislature in Edmonton that Opposition Wildrose members Ian Donovan, left, and Kerry Towle have crossed the floor to join his Progressive Conservative caucus. DEAN BENNETT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Wildrose MLAs defect to Tories

Kerry Towle and Ian Donovan. Wildrose MLAs cite leadership failure in departure

Two Wildrose Party MLAs have defected to Premier Jim Prentice's governing Progressive Conservatives because they believe he's turned that government around, and one political scientist believes it's devastating for the official Opposition.

Kerry Towle, representing Innisfail–Sylvan Lake, and Ian Donovan, representing Little Bow, both announced Monday afternoon they would be leaving the Wildrose caucus and moving across the provincial legislature floor to sit with the governing Tories

Towle, who's been a passionate critic of the Tories in past, said she believes she can do more on the government side of the house.

"I feel like the door has opened on a different discussion about how to meet the needs of Albertans," she said.

Towle said the last five weeks have had an impact, as the Wildrose has debated equality issues, but generally she believes the Progressive Conservatives are just more open.

Donovan echoed those comments, adding when Wildrose leader Danielle Smith said she would step down if unsuccessful in the next election, he saw a failure of leadership.

"I find it very hard to follow a team if the leader isn't willing to lead," he said.

Mount Royal University political science professor Duane Bratt said these defections are a disaster for the Wildrose.

"They just seem to be spiraling down and I don't think anything can be done to save that right now, except maybe time."

He said although Smith has done an admirable job, this puts her leadership in jeopardy.

"It's going to be tough for her to hang on. I mean premiers have been brought down over MLAs crossing the floor."

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Calgary's newest schools already packed

Infrastructure jam.
Five-year gap between schools announced by Stelmach and those pledged by Redford

Calgary's newest schools are already among the most packed in the city and some parents eagerly awaiting new facilities fear they'll have to fight to enrol their little one in classes close to home.

The city's 15 newest public and Catholic schools were announced by the Ed Stelmach government in 2007 and 2008 and all opened between 2010 and 2013.

But Metro analyzed the latest enrolment data publicized by both boards and found all but one of the 15 sites has exceeded the 85 per cent threshold that some officials have said marks a school being officially full.

Four Calgary Board of Education facilities — Evergreen, Cranston, Captain Nichola Goddard and Twelve Mile Coulee — actually eclipsed the 100 per cent capacity mark this fall. Saddle Ridge School was already over the 100 per cent full mark prior to 2014-15 and currently sits with 629 kids in a facility built for just 539.

Robert Thirsk High School, the last of the 15 sites to open in 2013-14, is already 91 per cent full after enrolling Grade 12 students for the first time this fall.

In Royal Oak, Derek Wride's son only squeaked by in an enrolment lottery to earn a spot in the area elementary school, which only opened in 2010. Royal Oak is now due for a middle school, slated to open in 2016, and Wride said his concern is starting to rise yet again that some kids in the community will be bused elsewhere even after the site opens.

Royal Oak parent Derek Wride. METRO FILE

"My primary concern to this point (was) 'will it actually get built and when?,'" he said. "Now I'm thinking about whether it will actually be big enough."

Tania Younker, spokeswoman for the Calgary Catholic School District, said her organization has already installed a full complement of 16 modulars apiece on each of its four newest schools. Even then, there's little room to spare for additional kids. She said the district eagerly awaits its own sites, whose doors officials also hope to open in 2016.

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Calgary café pops a wheelie

Joe on the go — that's the creative solution a Calgary coffee shop came up with while they wait for their dream storefront.

Monogram café has been in the works for years, but there's one problem: They still don't have a storefront. So, the team decided it was high time for a mobile solution, which is now helping them get their bean-team into places like Dade Art and Design Lab in Inglewood.

"One of the things that we wanted to do from the get-go was to create a coffee service that inspired wonder and warmth," said Jeremy Ho of Monogram coffee. "Part of that was serving coffee in really unexpected places and so that's why we decided to pursue a mobile service."

The cart is self sufficient and Alberta Health Services certified. It just needs to plug into an outlet and it's ready to go. At about 30 by 40 inches, the cart fits inside an SUV and takes two people to set up. Designed and built by the Monogram team, it's customized to bring gourmet coffee to places that need it.

"The quality that comes from the cart is also unexpected," said Ho.

Last month, Monogram barista Ben Put was recognized Canada-wide for his delicious coffee concoctions when he won the 2014 Canadian Barista Championships.

The cart is only a week old, but has already been booked for several Christmas events and the team has plans for the mobile macchiato maker when it warms up.

Ben Put, Justin Eyford and Jeremy Ho pose with their cart. CONTRIBUTED

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Braden Lauer

U of A grad named Canada's Smartest Person

Braden Lauer didn't get much sleep last night. The 23-year-old U of A commerce grad who grew up in St. Albert was with law school friends in Vancouver, celebrating his win as Canada's Smartest Person after results were announced on TV Sunday night.

"I learned I can keep a secret well," laughed Lauer, who has known of the win since the show was taped in Toronto last August.

While Lauer trailed the pack of eight finalists in the last show, he said challenges like karaoke singing and public speaking gave him momentum that helped him sail through a final gauntlet challenge for the win. Through the series, contestants were measured in linguistic, visual, musical, physical, social and logical skills.

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Residents upset about plans for Bridgeland School site

'We're not happy.'
Proposal to convert storied educational facility into loft complex draws ire of community

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Residents in what's being described as a quiet corner of Calgary's Bridgeland community say they're mortified to learn that a developer has plans for an apartment-townhouse complex development at the site of a longtime area school.

Delta West Academy confirmed Monday it has entered discussions to sell Bridgeland School, which it owns, to the Minto Group. The plan is to preserve the original facility, opened in 1921, but turn it into loft-style units that would then be surrounded by townhouses.

City of Calgary officials are still reviewing the proposal and gathering feedback from area residents, some of whom have taken to a door-knocking and social-media campaign to unearth details on the proposal.

Those living closest to the storied school say they fear loss of greenspace, added traffic concerns and noise.

"We're not happy," said mother Melissa Sledz, who moved with her family into a home directly across from the school less than a year ago. Her parents are currently developing a home a few doors down.

"We specifically built here because it's a quiet street and has a school," she said. "Now, I'm just choked.... This is the last piece of green space — quiet, nice.... The parking will be a gong show."

Similar concerns were expressed by Dan Ponce, who also lives adjacent to the school.

"They gave us a little drawing of it (the plan)," he said. "The houses are going to be as tall as the school.... They plan on keeping the green space behind the school but, by the looks of it, it will basically be people's backyards."

But Denise Dutchuk-Smith, Delta West's head of school, said her group has fielded numerous offers over the years to sell and only Minto has pledged to preserve the original school site. She said too that the academy currently houses nearly 150 students and has simply outgrown its digs.

"We've had to cap our growth because of it," she said, later adding, "If you can't grow, you don't survive, basically. We're bursting."

Delta has yet to locate a new home and wouldn't complete the sale with Minto until it had, she said. As well, the deal could fall through if the city doesn't grant changes to the area redevelopment plan.

Shawn Small, a senior planner with the city, said he was planning to attend a meeting with concerned residents Tuesday night and his department would likely formulate a position on the development early in the new year. Small said the zoning change, if approved, would allow up to 75 housing units to be erected on-site.

Minto representatives declined a request for an interview Monday, but said in an email they expected their plan to go before city council in the spring.

Details and meetings

- Minto said it intends to have 45 to 55 lofts and townhouses at the Bridgeland School site.
- Residents will meet with City of Calgary officials at the Bridgeland Community Centre at 7 p.m. Tuesday to discuss the potential housing development. A group called "Bridgeland Residents for Community Engagement" has also been launched.

A notice is seen out front of Bridgeland School, which is owned and operated by Delta West Academy, informing residents of a potential zoning change that would allow the site to instead be used for housing. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

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LGBTQ rights. Dispute within Wildrose caucus

Alberta's Wildrose caucus is now at odds with its own party over the issue of equality and homosexuality.

Wildrose leader Danielle Smith and her caucus have announced that they have endorsed and will follow a resolution that specifically says it will respect the rights of gays and all other minority groups.

A similar resolution was passed by party members a year ago, but this past weekend was rejected in a vote to make it party policy.

Those who rejected it said it was redundant, given that the party constitution promises to fight for the rights of all Albertans.

Here's what the policy states: "We, the Wildrose Caucus, declare the following statement to be binding as it pertains to the Wildrose Caucus and our actions both in and out of the Legislature.

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After the vote

After the vote, Calgary riding executive Terrence Lo quit, saying the party is controlled by a powerful minority who is "LGBT unfriendly" and "ethnic unfriendly."

Naked yoga class aims to practise body confidence

Take a deep breath.
Calgary naked yoga instructor says her class is all about removing restrictions

You've heard of naked yoga, the bare-all activity that swept the nation in whispers, piquing the curiosity of downward dog newcomers and seasoned warrior pose veterans. But there's a new class in town that's raising eyebrows for some and warranting sun salutations from others.

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"I tell them if you're here for an orgasm you're in the wrong place; this is yoga."

Katherine Medina, a Calgary-based yoga teacher

Naked Yoga has made it's way to Calgary, and now the class is offered to co-ed students. Katherine Medina found a home for her class at Like Minded People studio after nearly three months of searching and ran her first class open to the public Friday.

"I go in and I read them the riot act," Medina said. "I tell them if you're here for an orgasm you're in the wrong place; this is yoga."

Being one of the few in Canada to publicly advertise her classes, and according to her, the only person offering the co-ed option, Medina gets some hate.

"I don't mind that feedback necessarily," Medina said. "People need to feel empowered … by removing clothing it's just one of those symbolic ways of removing restrictions."

The focus of the class is body positive, aiming to help folks build up self confidence. Often people's intentions for coming to the first class are mixed, Medina said, adding sometimes people go thinking they will get ogled or hit on.

"They're pleasantly surprised it's not like that at all," said Medina.

To check out a class contact katherinemedinayoga@gmail.com, or visit Naked Yoga YYC on Facebook.

Katherine Medina, a Calgary-based yoga teacher practices her crow pose naked. FACEBOOK/CONTRIBUTED

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Northwest community

Residents rejoice as second access point opens to growing Evanston area

City planners have given the green light to a much-anticipated second access route to an expanding northwest community dogged by traffic backups.

Prior to the Nov. 14 opening, Symons Valley Parkway NW was the only road in and out of Evanston, now home to roughly 10,000 residents.

Now, residents have a second route thanks to a ramp at 14 Street NW and Stoney Trail. The project came in on budget at a total cost of $2.6 million and was opened a year ahead of schedule.

"My priority was to get this done ... I fought for it," said Ward 2 Coun. Joe Magliocca. "I made sure that (the city's) roads (department) understood the pain and suffering the poor residents of Evanston were going through every morning."

Magliocca added he worked closely with officials in Alberta Transportation.

"They knew they were fighting with a pitbull, so they made sure they had all their Is dotted and their Ts crossed," Magliocca said.

Asif Rahemtulla, president of the Evanston Creekside Community Association, said residents were still adjusting to the new access but he expected it to have a noticeable impact on the parkway's volumes over time. He moved into the community in 2010 and has been faced with traffic jams ever since.

"It's been a long four years," he said, before offering a cautionary tale to future community developers.

"We would ask that planners spend a little more time looking at the development plans." JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

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Firefighter Andrew Levitt, left, and Coun. Shane Keating affix a decal to a fire truck on Monday. ROBSON FETCHER/METRO

Honouring city's first responders

One-year decal project. City rules prohibit permanently affixing such magnets or decals to fleet vehicles

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The first of thousands of ribbons honouring first responders were affixed to City of Calgary vehicles Monday, a gesture that won't cost taxpayers a dime.

The ribbons — which bear colours and symbols representing the military, firefighters, police and EMS responders — were the result of a motion from Coun. Shane Keating, whose namesake nephew, Cpl. Shane Keating, was killed in Afghanistan in 2006.

"This is a simple thank you by Calgary City Council to acknowledge these four groups of individuals who willingly put themselves in harm's way every day," Keating said.

Produced by Can West Legacy and paid for by the Kinsmen Care Foundation, the ribbons will remain on city police cars, fire trucks, and fleet vehicles for the next year.

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Sean Burnand of Can West Legacy said his company was pleased to produce the ribbons to honour these "special heroes."

"They do such a great job and we just don't say thank you enough, these days," he said.

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Near Leduc. Widow, mother of two was among the dead in head-on collision

One of the passengers killed in a head-on collision near Leduc Saturday was a mother of two and recently widowed after her husband was killed in a motorcycle accident last year.

Eva Janet Caperina, 41, was among four people killed over the weekend when the Saturn Ion in which she was riding collided with a tractor-trailer on Highway 21 south of Edmonton.

RCMP is blaming poor road conditions for the crash.

At the time of the crash, Caperina, along with three other temporary foreign workers from the Philippines, were traveling to Kingman where she worked as a nanny.

According to Caperina's cousin, Hilda Donieg, the mother of two had moved to Edmonton three years ago to give her family a better life.

"We came over to work," said Donieg.

"We left the family behind back home, because there is better opportunity in Canada."

Donieg said Caperina leaves behind two children aged 14 and 16.

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Eva Janet Caperina was one of four killed Saturday after a head-on collision near Leduc. CONTRIBUTED

Vandalized mosque

Muslims pray in thanks for support from community

Muslims in Cold Lake, Alta., have held a special prayer service to offer thanks for the community's support after their mosque was vandalized.

The service was held Sunday — about a month after the words "Go home" were spray-painted across the entrance to the building and a brick was thrown through a window.

When word of the vandalism got out, local residents began work within hours to repair the damage.

Riaz Ingar, a mosque member who spoke at the service, says the community's response was gratifying.

The mosque also held a question-and-answer session to explain to non-Muslims what Islam is all about.

The RCMP is still investigating evidence, but no arrests have been made.

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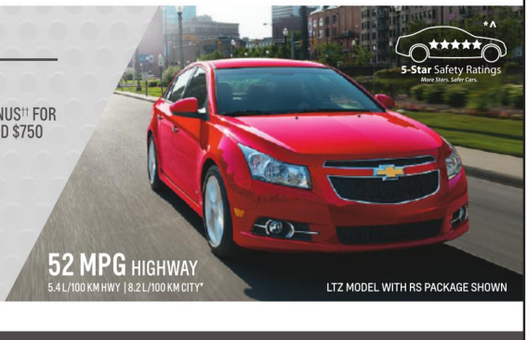

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ParkPlus lands a 'really big deal'

Cubic. Agreement to take technology international to benefit Calgarians: Nenshi

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Calgarians will ultimately reap the rewards of a new agreement with a major international company to market the city's ParkPlus technology globally, says Mayor Naheed Nenshi.

On Monday, the Calgary Parking Authority (CPA) and Cubic, an American firm that provides solutions for major transportation networks around the world, announced an agreement that would involve "global collaboration to deliver transit and municipal parking solutions leveraging CPA-developed technology."

Cubic already works with 450 transport operators around the world, including the Oyster Card electronic fare system in London, England, and processes 24 billion payment transactions each year.

"This is a really big deal," said Coun. Gian-Carlo Carra, who sits on the CPA board of directors. "I'm looking forward to it bearing some serious fruit."

Mayor Naheed Nenshi said "it's too early to speculate" on exactly how much money the city could receive in royalties and other revenue — or what that money would be used for — but Calgarians can count on one thing at least.

"Certainly any money that comes into the city helps us invest in stuff people need," he said.

The CPA already funnels any excess revenue above its own operating costs to city coffers.

Carra said he'd like to see some of the ParkPlus revenue reinvested back into the CPA to further develop "smart parking" technologies and policies, which could involve expanding the ParkPlus system into residential neighbourhoods outside of downtown.

Further revenues derived from that expansion, Carra added, could then be reinvested directly into local communities.

"Smart parking posits building very spectacular public realms around the places where people are getting out of their cars and walking around," he said.

Cubic vice-president David deKozan described the agreement as "a significant step forward" expanding the company's NextCity strategy, which the company says on its website "will enable transport operators to regulate demand by setting fees and fares across all modes of transport within a region."

Calgary resident Phil Young purchases a parking ticket via the ParkPlus system. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO FILE

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Blue Cross reaffirms it won't cover couple with million-dollar baby

Saskatchewan. Family facing more than $900K in medical bills after an unexpected childbirth in Hawaii

Saskatchewan Blue Cross said in a statement Monday that Jennifer Huculak should seek help from the national independent insurance ombudsman after denying her claim of more than $900,000 in medical bills.

Huculak said she was six months pregnant when she left for a vacation in Hawaii with the blessing of her doctor and health insurance from Blue Cross. Soon after arriving, her water broke and her premature baby required a two-month stay in an American neonatal intensive care unit.

Huculak said Blue Cross denied her claim, saying a bladder infection that caused some hemorrhaging at four months constituted a pre-existing condition.

Saskatchewan Blue Cross president Arnie Arnott said Huculak was given "nine specific events" that prevented her claim from being paid and referred the media back to Huculak for further explanation.

He said the challenges facing Huculak's family are "extraordinary and difficult," and the Ombudservice for Life and Health Insurance would provide a third-party review of the Blue Cross decision.

"A review by OLHI is free of charge and Saskatchewan Blue Cross will cover any costs incurred by Ms. Huculak preparing her claim for review by the ombudsman," Arnott said in the statement.

Blue Cross aims to "help families avoid situations like this one," he added.

Huculak didn't immediately return calls on Monday.

Last week, she said she wasn't given a Blue Cross questionnaire before the trip.

"We were told we were covered. We paid our premium. We obviously still feel that Blue Cross should cover the bill," she said. "It's a very sad position to be in. I wouldn't wish it on anybody."

Huculak said if a doctor told her she had a high-risk pregnancy, she wouldn't have travelled to Hawaii. She said her doctor sent a letter to Blue Cross confirming that Huculak's pregnancy was stable when she went on vacation, but the claim was still denied.

"As of March, Blue Cross pretty much washed their hands of the whole case," she said. "We've just kind of been sitting ducks, not knowing what to do."

The hospital in Hawaii has declined comment.

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Reece Huculak was born in Hawaii after Jennifer Huculak gave birth while on vacation. Huculak says she was six months pregnant and travelled with the blessing of her doctor and health insurance from Blue Cross. JENNIFER HUCULAK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Toxic report expected

Veterans to get more funding

The Harper government's frenzy of funding to support veterans continued Monday, ahead of what's expected to be a toxic report by the auditor general on mental health services for ex-soldiers.

Health Minister Rona Ambrose added to the funds with $5 million for the Canadian Institute for Military and Veteran Health Research. This will be matched by the True Patriot Love Foundation, and follows a $200-million, six-year commitment made Sunday in Halifax. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Spy bill is constitutional, official says

The deputy minister of public safety says a bill that would allow Canada's spy agency to break foreign laws is constitutional.

Francois Guimont said that lawyers had vetted the legislation against the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. The legislation would provide blanket protection for Canadian Security Intelligence Service sources and give the spy agency more latitude to obtain warrants authorizing investigations abroad. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tensions high over pipeline in Burnaby

RCMP are pictured in the background protecting a Kinder Morgan drill on Monday as a sign placed by an anti-pipeline demonstrator is pictured in the foreground in Burnaby, B.C. The proposed $5-billion expansion would nearly triple the capacity of the pipeline that carries crude oil from near Edmonton to the Vancouver area to be loaded on tankers and shipped overseas. On Sunday, at least a dozen protesters, including an 11-year-old girl, were taken into custody, as demonstrations continued in spite of a court-issued injunction.

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Hacker attacks on city sites continue

Aerith. Ottawa and Toronto police sites hacked, along with the City of Toronto and City of Laval sites

TREVOR GREENWAY
Metro in Ottawa

A hacker who crashed the city of Ottawa and Ottawa Police websites over the weekend claims to have stolen data from cops and plans to release documents to media in the coming days.

Ottawa police confirmed there was a denial of service attack on their site, but ensured the public that no data had been compromised, but the hacker, who is known as Aerith, says different.

"We indeed did breach their server. Yes we have a ton of data, and yes it will be released," said the hacker, who claims to be with the loose-knit vigilante group Anonymous, in a news release Monday evening.

"We are the ones whom took out the Supreme Court, Ottawa Police, City of Ottawa, Toronto Police, Laval Police, and more. We will be taking out more in the coming days, and we will not stop."

The hacker says there are plans to release police "emails, documents and more" and won't stop crashing city websites until police drop 60 swatting charges against a Barrhaven teen — a crime they say the teen was framed for.

The hacker also crashed the City of Toronto, Toronto police and the government parliament websites and took down the City of Laval website Monday evening.

"When the charges are dropped (we will stop), until then, we will keep taking them offline," said Aerith in an email exchange with Metro.

"The police have framed an innocent youth, and failed to investigate the crimes and furthermore, they have failed to provide any shred of solid proof."

Aerith says they have proof the swatting — prank-calling emergency services to send out SWAT teams under false pretenses — was actually done by a man in New Jersey, and plan to release documents that would exonerate the teen in the coming days.

The group first attacked Ottawa.ca Friday, as users were brought to a screen with a dancing banana and a text message targeting Ottawa police officer Joel Demore.

Police remain tight-lipped, but Chief Charles Bordeleau said that although their website is down, operation of the force remains fully functional.

Distributed denial of service

Hacker an 'amateur,' expert says

The hacker responsible for crashing police websites in Toronto and Ottawa is a mere "amateur," says one expert.

A hacker known as Aerith launched a distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack against municipal websites, including the home page of the Toronto Police Service over the weekend.

Such attacks flood servers with traffic making it difficult, or impossible, for people to access the site. The hacker renewed the offensive Monday, hacking into the City of Ottawa website and taking the Toronto police site offline.

A Toronto police spokesperson acknowledged the attacks Monday, but declined to discuss specifics.

"We were not hacked," Const. David Hopkinson said. "This was a denial of service attack. It's a flooding of our servers. We haven't suffered a breach."

But an online security expert said the hacker is more bark than bite.

"I'd call him an amateur," said Michael Calce.

When he was 15, Calce launched a similar attack that targeted both Amazon and eBay. He spent eight months in juvenile detention in Quebec for the crime and has since become an ethical hacker and Internet security consultant.

The tools necessary to launch a DDoS attack are easily obtained. It's even possible to rent a botnet — the network of computers used to bombard a website with traffic — for as little as $20 a day. Based on what he's seen, that's precisely what he believes Aerith has done.

Even Aerith's most high-profile hack — replacing the City of Ottawa's homepage with an image of a dancing banana — appears to have been achieved with what hackers call "social engineering."

Aerith contacted the company that hosts Ottawa's website and posed as an IT manager with the city. Aerith then asked them to redirect the homepage to a different site.

"If that's the case, then there's no real sign of high-level hacking skill," Calce said.

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Blooper. Tory attempt to embarrass Grits backfires

The latest Conservative sting operation aimed at discrediting a prominent Liberal candidate has instead wound up embarrassing several Tory MPs, including senior cabinet minister Jason Kenney.

The operation involved a young Conservative operative who secretly recorded a conversation with Marlo Raynolds, the Liberal candidate in Banff-Airdrie, and two other men at a public meeting in Canmore, Alta., last week.

The recording purported to show Raynolds criticizing the Tories' recent family tax cut plan, saying it amounts to giving money to people for "arguably nothing," only to see them spend it on TVs, cars and other things that don't benefit the economy. The recording was given to Sun News Network personality Brian Lilley, who denounced Raynolds' purported comments — and, by extension, the Liberal party — on his TV show and in a newspaper column.

Employment Minister Jason Kenney
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Blake Richards, the Tory MP for Banff-Airdrie, and two other Alberta MPs — Chris Warkentin and Kenney, the employment minister — pounced on Lilley's work to denounce Raynolds and the Liberals in the House of Commons.

The problem? The words attributed to Raynolds were actually spoken by another individual, Canmore resident Tam McTavish, who has publicly stepped forward to correct the record. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Nude photos. Manitoba judge to retire from bench

A Manitoba judge whose nude photos were posted online by her husband will voluntarily retire from the bench rather than endure another hearing into whether she should be removed from her position.

A three-person panel investigating Associate Chief Justice Lori Douglas approved a settlement between the judge and the Canadian Judicial Council Monday.

Under the agreement, Douglas will retire in May and hearings into her conduct will be dropped. The judicial council said pursuing the matter after Douglas retires would not be in the public interest.

A hearing into the case was to start Monday, but lawyer Sheila Block told the panel her client reached an agreement with the judicial council. Four years of having her personal life scrutinized has taken its toll on Douglas, Block said.

"Even though she loved being a judge, considered it an honour and privilege to serve, she is at the point where this is the best choice for her, for her son and elderly father, for her late husband's children and the rest of her family," Block said.

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Cleveland. Video of boy's shooting 'clear': Police

A Cleveland officer was less than 10 feet away when he fatally shot a 12-year-old boy carrying a pellet gun near a playground, and video of the shooting is clear about what happened, police said Monday.

The boy was confronted Saturday by officers responding to a 911 call about a male who appeared to be pulling a gun in and out of his pants.

The 911 caller said the gun was "probably fake," then added, "I don't know if it's real or not." Deputy Chief Edward Tomba said Monday that he didn't know whether a dispatcher shared that information with responding officers.

The president of the Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association has said the officers weren't told the caller thought the gun might be fake.

Police say Tamir Rice, who died Sunday, had an "airsoft" gun that appeared indistinguishable from a real firearm. Airsoft guns fire spherical plastic pellets and have orange tips to show they aren't real firearms, but police said the one the boy had didn't have the bright safety indicator.

Authorities said the boy was told to raise his hands and was shot when he pulled the pellet gun from his waistband, though he hadn't pointed it at police or made verbal threats.

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Demonstrators gather to protest the shooting of Tamir Rice at Cudell Park in Cleveland, Monday. MARK DUNCAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Violence erupts after grand jury says no indictment

Ferguson. Obama calls for calm after news officer won't be charged in death of Michael Brown

Violent protests erupted after a grand jury decided not to indict a Ferguson police officer in the death of an unarmed, black 18-year-old whose fatal shooting by a white officer sparked weeks of demonstrations and exposed deep racial tension between many African-Americans and police.

U.S. President Barack Obama and the family of Michael Brown asked for calm after a prosecutor announced the decision Monday evening that the grand jury decided not to indict officer Darren Wilson for the August shooting, prompting an angry response from demonstrators. Police used smoke and pepper spray after protesters grew violent Monday night in Ferguson, Mo., where police cars were vandalized and several gunshots were heard.

Wilson's fatal shooting of Brown after an Aug. 9 confrontation reignited a fierce debate over how police treat young African-American men and focused attention on long-simmering racial tensions in Ferguson and around the U.S., four decades after the 1960s civil rights movement. Police were criticized for responding to protests with armoured vehicles and tear gas.

Obama said from the White House that Americans need to accept the decision that the grand jury made. He said it was understandable that some Americans would be "deeply disappointed — even angered," but echoed Brown's parents in calling for any protests to be peaceful.

In a late-night statement, the first black president also urged Americans not to deny recent progress in race relations in the U.S., the protests in Ferguson notwithstanding.

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Police officers confront protesters after the announcement of the grand jury decision not to indict police officer Darren Wilson in the fatal shooting of Michael Brown, an unarmed, black 18-year-old, Monday in Ferguson, Mo. DAVID GOLDMAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Swift's Spotify battle hits note with artists

Striking a chord.
Following pop star Taylor Swift's lead, other musicians are also questioning the music-streaming model

Quoted

"To the fans who went out and bought over a million copies of my last three albums, what you did by going out and investing in music and albums is ... saying you believe in the same thing I believe in: that music is valuable."

Taylor Swift at the American Music Awards on Sunday

From boardrooms in Japan to songwriters' rooms in Nashville, a debate is brewing in music industry circles about the value of streaming music, even as its popularity and impact skyrocket.

Streaming music, predicted by many analysts to become the primary digital means for fans to consume music, has such influence now that Billboard will start tallying streaming numbers into the formula for its Billboard 200 chart. But even as consumers wrap their arms around the technology, many in the music industry question whether streaming music revenues will match up.

At a recent investor meeting in Tokyo, Sony Music chief financial officer Kevin Kelleher said a lot of conversation had been happening about streaming services in light of pop star Taylor Swift's recent decision to pull her catalogue off Spotify.

A Spotify representative declined to comment to The Associated Press, but company CEO and co-founder Daniel Ek has addressed some critics on its website. He notes that the company has paid out $2 billion US since it started in 2008.

Swift's actions touched a nerve in Nashville. Country artists Jason Aldean, Brantley Gilbert and Justin Moore followed Swift's lead to remove or limit music that's available for free to Spotify's 50 million users.

Swift and Aldean have cited concerns about whether the service fairly compensates all the stakeholders who help make the music, a message that resonates among many Nashville artists. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fighting car hackers

In this 2010 photo, master diagnostic technician Kurt Juergens uses a laptop computer to diagnose and repair the brake system on a 2010 Toyota Prius in the repair shop of a Toyota dealership in Norwood, Mass. The U.S. military and the auto industry are scrambling to fortify the cyber defences of commercially available cars before criminals and even terrorists penetrate them. In 2010, a pair of hackers manoeuvred their way into the computer systems of a Toyota Prius and a Ford Escape through a port used by mechanics.

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Flight attendants reject agreement

WestJet Airlines Ltd. said Monday that its 2,600 flight attendants have voted to reject a tentative agreement reached last month. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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No housing bubble: CMHC

Canada's housing market is not in bubble territory and faces "very little risk" of a downturn, according to a new analysis of eight major urban centres released Monday by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Its chief economist cautioned, however, that that "very positive assessment" is based on a "backward-looking" examination of housing prices and underlying fundamentals in Toronto, Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec City and Halifax.

"When we do this kind of analysis ... it assumes that the world of the future will unfold much like it did in the past and, of course, there are dangers about driving while you are looking in the rear-view mirror," CMHC chief economist Bob Dugan told reporters on Monday.

Hot 3

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Calgary, considered among the "Hot 3" of Canada's housing markets (the others being Toronto and Vancouver) rated as a low risk, with any over-valuation simply a result of modest gains in personal income.

The House Price Analysis and Assessment Framework, a first for CMHC and which it hopes to expand over time to look at other Canadian communities, evaluates house prices against four risk factors: overheating demand, price acceleration, over-valuation (pricing) and overbuilding.

It found that, overall, Canada's housing market appears to be relatively healthy, despite some "moderate risk of over-valuation" in major urban centres like Toronto, where wages have lagged house price growth.

The federal housing agency does, however, issue a "cautionary note" for Toronto — and Montreal — warning that "the number of (condo) units under construction is elevated in those centres."

Dugan told reporters that the biggest risk in markets like Toronto and Montreal is overbuilding. The report urges developers to "hit the appropriate balance" between keeping a check on units that are "under construction but not sold and units that are in the planning stage."

"At the national level, other than a modest amount of over-valuation, we do not detect the presence of other risk factors such as overheating, price acceleration, and overbuilding," said Dugan.

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HACKTIVISM CAME TOO SOON

While hacking can be a legitimate form of political protest, guest columnist Molly Sauter argues the recent cyberattack on the Ottawa police website was premature, as due process hasn't been given its due yet in the case of the teen who the hacktivists say was framed

MOLLY SAUTER
Guest column

Hacktivist actions like website defacements and other forms of online civil disobedience are necessary tactics in the toolbox of a modern democracy, and can be a powerful tool for underprivileged populations struggling to get their message heard. But the hacker who recently took down several official Ottawa websites is turning to disruptive tactics ahead of due process.

The hacker or group of hackers calling itself AerithXOR, and using the hashtag #OpSoaringEagle, has stated that it is rallying in support of an Ottawa teen who, it claims, has been falsely indicted for making more than 30 false reports to emergency services across North America, a practice called "swatting."

These so-called pranks involve reporting a fake violent crime to the police in the hopes that they will respond in force.

The danger that someone will be seriously injured or even killed in one of these "pranks" is significant and should be taken seriously.

DDoS actions (distributed denial of service actions) and other hacktivist tactics have been tools of online activism since the 1990s, when they were used in the service of causes ranging from the Zapatista struggle to anti-nuclear power protests.

Superficial similarities

On face, #OpSoaringEagle bears a resemblance to other Anonymous ops

Similar to a blockade or occupation, an activist DDoS action typically involves many individual computers accessing the same server repeatedly in a short period of time, with the goal of crashing the server and rendering it inaccessible.

Though DDoS actions are often disruptive, they are not typically destructive, often causing very little (if any) damage to the target's electronic infrastructure.

On face, #OpSoaringEagle bears a resemblance to other Anonymous ops that claimed to be a reaction to the missteps or inaction of law enforcement, such as the effort by Anonymous to bring to light the names of people involved in the rape of a 16-year-old girl in Steubenville, Ohio.

However, in that and other cases, the machinations of the justice system had clearly stalled: In Steubenville, prosecutors had dragged their feet in filing charges against the perpetrators despite the presence of ample and damning evidence.

Demonstrators wearing V-masks participate in the Occupy Frankfurt movement in this 2011 file photo. DANIEL ROLAND/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

In the case of this Ottawa teen, the justice process is just getting started and due process is taking place. If AerithXOR has exonerating evidence, let it bring that to the police or the defence.

A theatrical appeal for public attention of this kind is not necessary until the traditional channels have been exhausted.

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She is the author of The Coming Swarm: DDoS Actions, Hacktivism, and Civil Disobedience on the Internet.

Harmless emojis banned while misogynistic apps OK'd

IRENE KUAN
Metro Online

Sexting is nothing new.

People can send lewd messages, images and videos using their smartphones in an instant. Even innocent-looking eggplant and banana emojis can be twisted into something perverted, but a new website called Flirtmoji, which provides a set of "sex" emojis you can cut and paste into a text, is trying to bring a fun side to sexting.

I'm very aware that sex texts are a controversial topic right now, due to horrific child porn and cyberbullying cases in the news.

But is there a point for Apple and Android to reject Flirtmoji from their app stores, citing its "sexual content," when there were and are apps in the virtual stores that offend and objectify women way more than a cartoony-looking emoji of a butt phone or fornicating bunnies?

Take the app Perfect Girlfriend, where users can control a virtual girlfriend that can be "touched" and will tell the user she wants to f—k them. It's still available in Apple's App Store.

Not cool

iBoobs, an app where the user jiggles a pair of bra-covered breasts for entertainment, lived in the Google Play Store for years before it was yanked ...

Another offensive app is iLust, where the object of the game is for a guy to stare at a girl's breasts for as long as he can without her noticing.

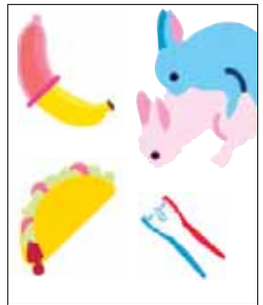
While the app was short-lived, Apple did not see fit to censor this product, which is far more offensive than a cartoon condom-wearing banana.

Even iBoobs, an app where the user jiggles a pair of bra-covered breasts for entertainment, lived in the Google Play Store for years before it was yanked in April.

Given all these examples of sexually explicit, offensive apps that have been available in the notable app stores, should Flirtmojis be censored?

The creators make the argument that we're highly sexual beings, and have been since well before the dawn of the digital age. No matter how we try to look at it, people can use any means, digital or not, to exploit or to be malicious.

The creators of Flirtmoji are hoping their "visual language" will help people communicate sometimes complicated emotions.



These emojis have not been approved by the App Store. SCREENGRABS

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DVD review

The F Word

Director. Michael Dowse

Stars. Daniel Radcliffe, Zoe Kazan, Adam Driver

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Michael Dowse's The F Word (a.k.a. What If) understands that "friend" is what you don't want to be called when your heart is going pitter-pat for another. Such is the dilemma facing Daniel Radcliffe's Wallace, a med-school dropout and post-breakup moper languishing in his sister's attic. When he finally tiptoes from his boy cave, he meets the zesty and simpatico Chantry (Zoe Kazan). But she already has a boyfriend, hotshot UN lawyer Ben (Rafe Spall), and they've been living together for five years. What's a lonely dude to do? If he enters into a platonic friendship with this slightly confused gal, he risks a broken heart and/or a black eye. Not helping matters much is Wallace's randy pal Allan (Adam Driver), whose skill with women is the inverse of Wallace's fumbling. The F Word gets into familiar rom-com situations, but they feel different. The movie was filmed in Toronto and boasts a screenplay by T.O.'s Elan Mastai. Most important of all, Radcliffe and Kazan connect as actors.

PETER HOWELL

Mystery of missing child is a harrowing ride for all

Television. Actress Frances O'Connor insists new series isn't based on Madeleine McCann, despite the similarities

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From left, Tchéky Karyo, Frances O'Connor and James Nesbitt star in The Missing. JULES HEATH/NEW PICTURES LIMITED

Show time

The Missing premieres Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 10 p.m. ET on Super Channel.

Frances O'Connor had to go to some pretty harrowing emotional places for The Missing, in which she plays a British mother grappling with the disappearance of her young son while on vacation in France, with the story split between the 2006 incident and the present-day ramifications. On the bright side, The Missing follows the True Detective and Gracepoint trend — adopted from across the pond, naturally — of providing a complete, closed story in its full run of episodes, so it's only a matter of weeks until the mystery is solved. And the answer even caught O'Connor by surprise.

How much did real-life stories like the Madeleine McCann case play into the approach to this?
We didn't set out to make a Madeleine McCann-esque thriller or anything. That wasn't our intention. I think that's just one case that's received so much attention, even in America. I'm sure people will make that comparison, but I don't think that was the writers' intention at all. They're really adamant about that. I just think they don't want the McCanns to think, "Oh, they're making a thriller from our experience." But as you go on and the watch the episodes, you realize it's actually quite different.

But certainly it came up at some point.
(Director) Tom (Shankland) said, "There's a book that Kate McCann had written, if you want to read it you might find something insightful in there." I did have a read of it but, ultimately, I thought it was so specific to her case and her experience, and I felt like my character was so different from that. My character really just loses it when her child goes missing, and I think Kate really kept her act together.

While reading the script, were you convinced you had it figured out?
Yes, I did. I was not right. I was wrong, so wrong. That's part of the fun, though. It is an emotional thriller in a lot of ways, because it is about a kid going missing, so in a lot of ways you're invested. But then, having that thriller aspect as well makes it really exciting. As I was reading it — because I didn't know what happened — I was just like, "Oh God, I hope it's not me." It's such a great page-turner when you're reading the script, and I imagine it will be like that when you're watching it.

Does tapping into the emotions for a character like this leave you drained?
Oh yeah, especially the 2006 stuff. I mean, there was stuff in the 2014 section that was also really draining, but 2006 was just relentless. Even though the 2006 section only takes place over 11 or 12 days, we shot it for 2-1/2 months, so it's a long time to be in that kind of "my child is missing" thing. Sometimes I'd get on the Eurostar back to London on Friday and just be a mess, like, "Somebody hold me for a minute!"

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Reality TV gets real, goes with scripts

Television. Networks known for unscripted programming make a radical shift to new fare

From left, Elizabeth Hurley as Queen Helena, William Moseley as Prince Liam and Vincent Regan as King Simon in a scene from The Royals. The series premieres in March 2015. PAUL BLUNDELL/E!

Can a zebra change its stripes? Not likely. But these days numerous reality-based networks are sporting new stripes in the form of scripted fare as they move to stretch their brand and freshen their look.

• TruTV last month added several scripted series to the mix, including the sketch-comedy show Friends of the People.

• Animal Planet is in the scripted swim with The Whale: Revenge From the Deep, a drama special premiering Nov. 26 starring Martin Sheen. This isn't the network's first scripted program (maybe you recall Mermaids a few years ago), but now it's poised to go even further with scripted series as well: An adaptation of the popular zombie animal graphic novel The Other Dead is targeted for early 2016.

• Dec. 2 marks the premiere of Girlfriends' Guide to Divorce, Bravo's first original scripted series, with stars including Lisa Edelstein (House) and Paul Adelstein (Private Practice). It will be followed next year by a half-hour comedy Odd Mom Out.

• E! has announced its first scripted drama series, The Royals, exposing "the upstairs and downstairs lives of a fictional royal family set in modern-day London," according to the network. It premieres in March.

• WeTV dipped its toe into scripted series this summer with its legal drama The Divide.

• SundanceTV launched its first drama series, Rectify, last year, with several others airing since.

• History successfully entered scripted television two years ago with The Vikings, then struck more ratings gold with its Hatfields & McCoys and The Bible miniseries.

In summary, one way for a network to secure its turf is by advancing into others'.

That's a logical response to the battle that niche networks now find themselves waging, says Bravo's senior vice-president of development, Lara Spotts, who speaks of "a Hunger Games-ian environment. There are so many choices for viewers that you have to find new ways to deal with your rivals."

Marjorie Kaplan, who as Discovery group president oversees Animal Planet, agrees:

"When you look at the creative landscape and you see the audience's interest in scripted, you can't *not* ask yourself, 'Is there something we could be doing there?'"

Not only does scripted represent a promised land for boosting audience interest, it's bursting with creativity at a time when reality is "a little bit dull, a little bit stagnant," says truTV's president and programming boss, Chris Linn.

Truth may be stranger than fiction, but capturing truth on camera — and making it look real — is often easier in a fictional form.

"You can really up the ante and up the fun in ways you can't always do with reality," says Jeff Olde, E!'s executive vice-president of programming and development. E! specializes in celebrity and glamour, and its audience demands ever more access to those luminaries — the sort of access that would be off-limits from Britain's real-life royals, but, with actors subbing for them, will be guaranteed in the forthcoming scripted The Royals.

"With scripted," says Olde, "no one says 'No.'"

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Katy Perry trumps AMAs with Super Bowl gig

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The NFL has confirmed rumours that Katy Perry will be taking the stage for the next Super Bowl halftime show, taking place Feb. 1 in Glendale, Ariz. Perry got in on the announcement action with a video discussing various ideas for the show in her "testing facility," including kittens and edible glitter.

After recent years featuring Madonna and Beyoncé, it will be interesting to see what Perry can bring to the ridiculously high-profile gig — and what Illuminati references conspiracy theorists can glean from it.

Still unclear, though? Whether tour director Baz Halpin is risking the ire of Taylor Swift by working with Perry on the show. I'm thinking he maybe didn't take Swift's alleged threat too seriously.

Also, way to go on Perry's part for managing to steal plenty of focus during the American Music Awards despite not actually being there.

Um, Ryan, that's no way to sweet-talk your baby

Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds

Blake Lively is currently gestating her first official release with husband Ryan Reynolds, and the father-to-be could not be more excited — mostly because he could use a friend, as it turns out. "I'm just excited about having a buddy. We don't know if it's a boy or a girl yet, but whatever it is, you have this tether to reality that never goes away," he tells People magazine. Tether to reality? That never goes away? I mean, that's a lot of responsibility to put on one kid.

Cryptic Cosby tweet didn't come from Lisa Bonet

Lisa Bonet ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

With the frenzy that's cropped up around Bill Cosby and the growing number of women accusing him of sexual assault over the years, the Internet is hungry for commentary from anyone who has worked with him. Perhaps overly hungry, as it turns out, because everyone was a little too quick to believe former Cosby Show star Lisa Bonet was tweeting about her old boss.

"According to the karma of past actions, one's destiny unfolds, even though everyone wants to be so lucky," a tweet from an account claiming to be Bonet's read. "Nothing stay in the dark (forever)."

Here's the thing, though. Bonet isn't actually on Twitter. "Lisa Bonet has no social media of any kind," her manager tells People magazine. "Any posts made in her name were made by impersonators with unverified accounts. She also has no comment on the ongoing story."

This also casts serious doubt on the authenticity of the Phylicia Rashad Tumblr that I follow.

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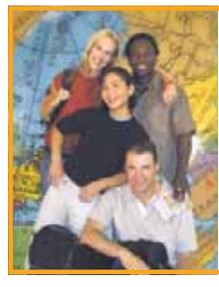
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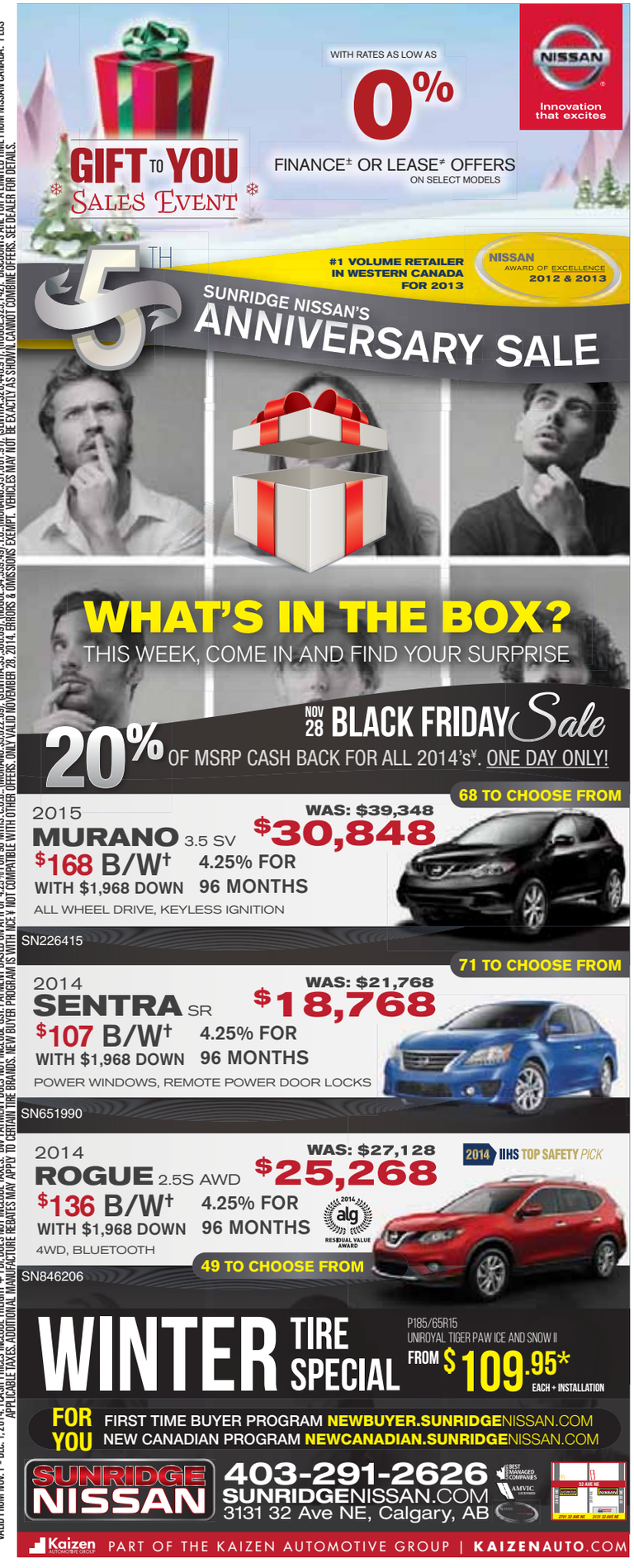

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With the sun setting sooner and the cold days of winter around the corner, here are six ways to boost your mood

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Complex carbs

You are what you eat. If you just got dumped, for example, the instinct is to raid the corner store for mac 'n' cheese and easy-bake brownies. But foods like white bread, pasta and fats cause your blood level to rise and then drastically drop — not a good feeling. If you fill up on veggies, brown rice and whole grain foods, the nutrients will be absorbed more slowly, so you won't get crazy highs and lows.

Ginseng tea

This natural herb releases endorphins in your brain, while the act of sipping tea will add some peace into your life. According to naturalsociety.com, ginseng was used to treat schizophrenia back in the sixth century and naturists are still using it to help lift moods. If your job is stressing you out, keep some ginseng tea handy and you'll feel a little less wound-up.

Upbeat songs

If you're listening to Radiohead or some new band with depressing lyrics, stop. A study conducted at the University of Missouri found that if you listen to happy, upbeat music with the intention in mind of making yourself feel happier, it can actually work. The key is the mindset. Those who participated in the study and listened to upbeat music without having a purpose really just felt the same.

Work out with a friend

It's common knowledge that exercising is a great way to get those endorphins pumping, but what many don't know is that the effect is compounded when you work out with a friend or in a group fitness class, according to a study done by the University of Oxford. Researchers found people working as a team were happier after exercising than people working out solo.

Get creative

Whether it's writing, painting or dancing, embracing your creative side has been shown to lift your mood, a study conducted by Boston College found. If you aren't into that sort of thing, try journalling — it produces the same results. One way is to keep a gratitude journal. Every night, list five things you are worried about and five things you are thankful for. In a couple months, you'll be able to flip back and see that some of your worries later land on the thankful side.

Fake it for now

Studies have shown that it's beneficial to have people in your life you can share your problems with, but there's also something to be said for faking it. "We become how we act," says Christopher Peterson, PhD and author of A Primer In Positive Psychology.

Put on clothes that you feel confident in, smile when you don't feel like it, laugh at jokes that aren't that funny, and soon you'll be able to stop faking it because you'll actually be as happy as your acting.

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Pan-fried Mango Fish Cakes. These bites use your choice of fish fillet and are topped with sweet fruit

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1. Place mango on the counter to thaw and mix with chutney, set aside.

2. Bring a large pot of water to a boil while you scrub (but not peel) potatoes and chop into quarters. Rinse green onions well under cold running water and chop, then set aside.

3. When water boils, add potatoes, garlic, salt and bring back to the boil, simmer 15 minutes.

4. Add fish in frozen pieces when potatoes are soft enough to be poked with a knife. Simmer for 5-6 minutes just to cook through. Add chopped green onions for final minute.

5. Mix cornmeal, bread crumbs and curry powder on a plate, ready to roll a crust for the potato patties.

6. When fish is cooked, drain water, and mash fish mixture with a hand masher or with a hand-held wand until soft, but not smooth.

7. Place 3-4 large pieces of foil on the counter and drizzle or spray with oil for freezing.

8. Form medium round patties with a 1/2 cup (a handful) of the potato mixture. Roll in bread crumb mixture, place on foil, spray tops and fold foil over. Either fry in a skillet now or place in freezer up to 3 weeks.

9. Preheat a large skillet over medium-high heat and drizzle or spray with oil, Add 2-3 patties at a time and let brown on one side before turning carefully. Place onto a baking sheet and into a 375 F oven to heat.

10. To serve, top with mango and sprouts.

Ingredients

- 2 cups frozen mango
- 1/2 cup mango chutney
- 6 small Yukon gold potatoes
- 2 green onions
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp salt
- 4 fish fillet (about a pound), frozen (sole, tilapia or whitefish)

Coating

- 2 tbsp cornmeal
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs
- 1 tbsp curry powder
- Bean or pea sprouts for garnish

Health Solutions

Freeze with total ease

Double-duty dinners are life-savers, but they have to be simple to make ahead and freeze for those last-minute emergency weeknight meals.

Some foods don't freeze well; the secret is really in the water content. As water freezes, it expands, and the crystals poke the cell walls, causing frozen fruits and vegetables to become mushy on thawing.

They are still usable and nutritious. but don't have the same texture as you would expect when they are fresh.

Here are some tips for freezing.

- Any time you are making soups, stews or curries, double the batch, fully cook and store in single serving sizes for quick, safe freezing and reheating.
- Do not freeze: lettuce, cooked eggs or cheeses under 35% milk fat (MF). All will suffer texturally.
- Wrap fish cakes or vegetable/bean burger patties tightly in plastic and do not thaw before pan frying. This will minimize the potential for sogginess. Use medium-high heat on the stovetop and pop onto a baking sheet making sure there is space between each patty and then into a warm oven to heat through.
- Be sure to reheat any frozen dish thoroughly and only once to avoid food-borne pathogens.
- Pancakes are great frozen with layers of parchment or wax paper and then popped in the toaster, but avoid using fruits like blueberries or bananas that can give off water and drip into the toaster. Think about using pancakes in a savoury way by adding goat's cheese and bacon instead of the sweet stuff.

Anything worth making is worth making twice as much. Or half the time. Or something.

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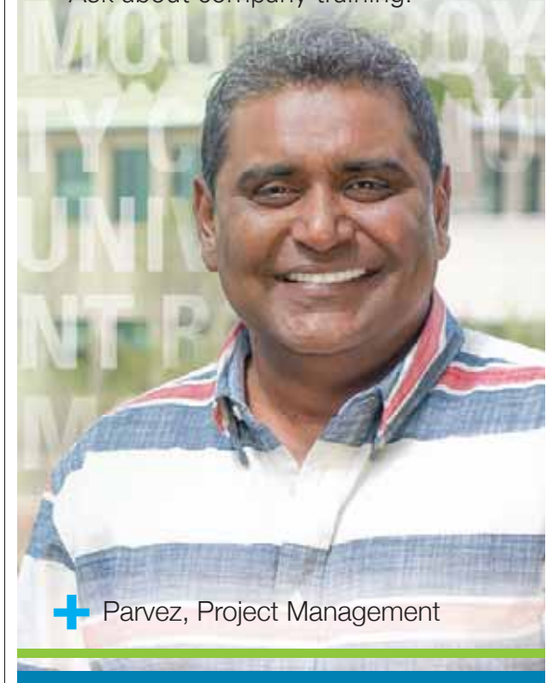

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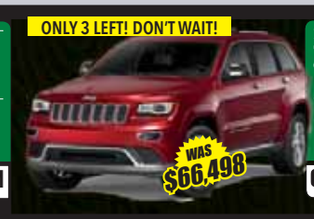

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PRE-MBA HOMEWORK

There's a lot of homework involved. And that's before enrolling in an MBA program.

First, you need to consider if an MBA is required to get to where you want to go in your career, says Chris Lynch, director of recruitment for the University of Alberta school of business.

"This would require giving some thought into where they see their career going and what skills and abilities they would need to get there," he says. "An MBA provides many valuable skills, but isn't necessarily a requirement for getting ahead in your career."

Before applying to an MBA program, Lych suggests studying for the graduate management admission test, which is required by most, but not all, MBA programs. It's a test designed to evaluate an individual's critical thinking, evaluation, and reasoning abilities.

There also might be preparatory courses you need to take — usually online — before enrolling in an MBA program.

Michael Wright, director of the Haskayne MBA program at the University of Calgary, suggests working students receive the support of their employer. That doesn't necessarily mean financial support, but employers should have an understanding of the time away from work needed to attend classes.

"For students who have a family, it is important to have a discussion about the commitments of the program," Wright says. "Establishing a supportive family environment is essential."

Most MBA students find the first semester an adjustment, he says. To help, Haskayne offers a small course covering the basics needed to get them back in the school mindset.

"Although students going into the program know there will be a significant time commitment, they are still sometimes surprised by how many hours a week an MBA program takes," Wright says.

And while the time commitment can be difficult, many students are also surprised by the camaraderie between classmates.

"Lifelong friendships are formed and, in some instances, life-changing business deals struck." *– Jennifer Taplin*

Embrace being busy

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Juggling work, school and life is no easy feat. Take it from a couple of recent MBA grads.

Safia Nathoo not only worked during her time at the Haskayne school of business at the University of Calgary, but she volunteered and was involved in several extracurricular activities as well.

"I would always have to schedule and prioritize what I needed to get done. I was extremely careful not to take on any projects or opportunities that I couldn't give 100 per cent to."

Nathoo worked at Innovate Calgary part time through her first year of school and full time throughout her second, graduating last June. Her advice for prospective working MBA students is to embrace how busy you will be.

"I can honestly say, no matter how busy it got for me I always appreciated and really enjoyed everything I was involved with," she says. "When you think about the time frame, it's only two years. It's a short time in the grand scheme of things, and the more time you can take advantage of the learning you get in the academic setting, extracurricular (activities) and mentorship that you can glean from other people, there's really no greater benefit from that."

James Bergsma has a professional engineer designation as well as an MBA from the University of Alberta. Throughout the last four years of school, he worked at Enbridge Pipelines Inc.

"I felt that the next step for my career was to get more involved in the business development and marketing areas," he says. "As a professional engineer I enjoy working on technical problems, but I wanted the business background to make sound choices when it comes to larger business issues."

By the time he graduated last June, Bergsma says he learned more than he expected. The MBA program teaches skills like continual learning, research and technical writing that are essential in the business world, he adds.

Bergsma's advice is to get involved with as many aspects of the MBA as possible.

"The most rewarding part was making real relationships that go beyond networking." *– Jennifer Taplin*

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Stampeders quarterback Bo Levi Mitchell scampers for a touchdown against the Tiger-Cats on Aug. 16 in Hamilton. CLAUS ANDERSEN/GETTY IMAGES

Stamps won't settle for second

CFL. Calgary one win away from completing a mission that began a year ago

The Calgary Stampeders have had one goal in mind since losing at home to the Saskatchewan Roughriders in the 2013 West Division final.

From the outset of training camp, the Stamps set their sights on winning the Grey Cup. They'll now get that chance when they take on the Hamilton Tiger-Cats in the CFL title game Sunday at BC Place in Vancouver.

"When that game ended, it was a very serious mindset with our guys," said Calgary quarterback Bo Levi Mitchell in regards to the 35-13 loss to the Riders on Nov. 17, 2013. "It's tough when you know you have the talent, you know you have the best team in the league and you don't finish it."

Following that disappointing setback, the Stamps vowed to do everything they could to put themselves in a position to win their seventh CFL title and first since 2008.

"Honestly, we've had the recipe," said linebacker Keon Raymond. "It's just mixing the ingredients together to be able to get us to the point to where we want to be right now. Our goal from Day 1 in training camp was to make sure that we bring the Cup back to Calgary."

The Stamps are now just one win away from accomplishing their mission, thanks to a 43-18 win over the Edmonton Eskimos at McMahon Stadium on Sunday in the West Division final.

"Obviously we want to be happy about it, but it's hard to be that happy when you know you've got a lot of work ahead of you to win the big one," said Mitchell, who threw four touchdown passes and scored on a two-yard plunge across the goal-line in his first-ever playoff start against the Eskimos.

Veteran Calgary linebacker Juwan Simpson said the Stampeders are focused on finishing the job that they started.

"We just cleared another hurdle that we wanted to clear," Simpson said. "Ultimately all of this means nothing if we don't win the cup."

Calgary's defence will get its first look at Hamilton quarterback Zach Collaros, who missed both losses to the Stamps in the regular season while recovering from concussion-like symptoms.

"Offensively they've been sparked since Zach came back," Mitchell said. "He's a very good quarterback and he plays the game with his heart on his sleeve. He's fun to watch, so it's going to be a tough game."

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"For the next seven days, I'm going to live, breathe, eat, sleep Hamilton — make sure I know every single thing about them." Stampeders QB Bo Levi Mitchell

Their paths to the Grey Cup

The Stamps finished the season with a league-best 15-3 record and earned a bye straight to the West final, while the Ticats finished atop the East Division with a 9-9 record before downing the Alouettes 40-24 at home on Sunday to earn a berth in their second straight Grey Cup game.

NFL

Safe from snow, Bills bury Jets

Kyle Orton threw two touchdown passes, Robert Woods pulled off a slick one-handed catch and Scott Chandler added a snow-themed celebration as the Buffalo Bills shook off a rough week and drubbed the New York Jets 38-3 on Monday night.

Heavy snow in the Buffalo area moved the game to Detroit, but there were plenty of Bills fans in attendance at Ford Field. Buffalo (6-5) couldn't even practice before arriving in Michigan on Friday, but it was the Jets (2-9) who looked out of sorts all night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

Malkin pushes Pens past Bruins

Evgeni Malkin scored his second goal of the night 32 seconds into overtime, giving the Pittsburgh Penguins a 3-2 win over the Boston Bruins on Monday.

Sidney Crosby had a goal and two assists.

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NBA

Raps block out Suns for fifth straight victory

Jonas Valanciunas scored a career-high 27 points and hauled down 11 rebounds in the Raptors' 104-100 victory over the Phoenix Suns on Monday — a victory that pulled Toronto even with Memphis for the best record in the NBA.

DeMar DeRozan added 23 points for the Eastern Conference-leading Raptors (12-2), who stretched their winning streak to five games. THE CANADIAN PRESS

MLB

Sandoval agrees to multiyear deal with Red Sox

Kung Fu Panda is moving to Boston.

Free agent third baseman Pablo Sandoval and the Boston Red Sox have agreed to a multiyear contract, and the switch-hitting slugger informed the San Francisco Giants he's leaving.

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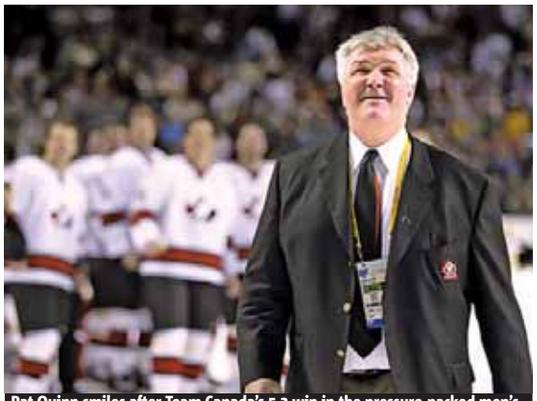
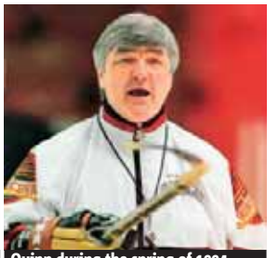


Pat Quinn smiles after Team Canada's 5-2 win in the pressure-packed men's gold-medal game at the Salt Lake City Winter Olympic Games in February 2002. BRIAN BAHR/GETTY IMAGES

Pat Quinn during his second season playing with the Maple Leafs in 1969. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



Quinn during the spring of 1994 when he coached the Canucks to the Stanley Cup final. GETTY IMAGES

Quinn: The gentle giant

'Big Irishman.' Coach, GM and executive succumbs to illness in Vancouver at age 71

On the ice, behind the bench and behind his desk, Pat Quinn was an imposing figure.

"'The Big Irishman' is a guy that loves the game so much that when he walks in, you know hockey's in the room," longtime broadcaster and executive John Davidson said.

Quinn died Sunday night in Vancouver after a lengthy illness, the Hockey Hall of Fame and Vancouver Giants said Monday. Quinn, who was co-owner of the WHL's Giants, was 71.

The former NHL defenceman, longtime coach and executive went down fighting as colleagues raved about not only his hockey acumen but about the kind personality behind his gruff exterior.

Quinn led Team Canada to the gold medal at the 2002 Olympics in Salt Lake City, the country's first men's hockey gold medal in 50 years. He also coached the Vancouver Canucks to the 1994 Stanley Cup final, the Canadian world junior team to gold in 2009 and helped the Toronto Maple Leafs to the Eastern Conference final two times.

In 15 full seasons as an NHL coach, Quinn's teams missed the playoffs only three times.

That success came over the span of decades, as a coach and executive.

"He's not unlike a Scotty Bowman in that they're really bright guys," said former Washington Capitals GM George McPhee, who worked under him in Vancouver and made his son Graham's middle name Quinn as a tribute. "They were really intelligent and they could see the trends, they could see the fads, the things that were going to come and go and the things that would stay. Very perceptive and he adjusted and advanced."

Quinn was hailed by those close to him for having a heart to match his six-foot-three, 200-plus-pound frame. Maple Leafs director of hockey and scouting administration Reid Mitchell called Quinn a gentle giant who was a "larger-than-life kind of guy, in stature and even his smile."

Part of that stature was that he was as tough as they come.

"He's a real guy's guy. He's a man's man," Florida Panthers GM Dale Tallon said. "He's just a straight shooter and called it like it is." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Pat Quinn's big moments

- **Jan. 29, 1943:** John Brian Patrick Quinn is born in Hamilton.
- **1968:** Makes NHL playing debut with the Toronto Maple Leafs. Went on to play with the Canucks and Atlanta Flames before retiring due to ankle injury.
- **1980:** With Quinn as head coach, the Philadelphia Flyers amass a record-setting 35-game undefeated streak. Quinn leads the Flyers to the Stanley Cup final before losing to the New York Islanders.
- **1987:** Joins the Vancouver Canucks as president and GM. Took on the additional role of head coach in 1991.
- **1994:** Coaches the Canucks to the Stanley Cup final only to be denied the title again, this time by the New York Rangers.
- **1998:** Named head coach of the Toronto Maple Leafs. Led club to Eastern Conference finals in 1999 and 2002.
- **2002:** As head coach, Quinn leads Team Canada to an Olympic gold medal in Salt Lake City.
- **2009:** Canada wins gold at the world junior hockey championship with Quinn behind the bench. Canada hasn't won gold since.
- **2009:** Edmonton Oilers hire Quinn as new head coach. He stays for only one season.
- **Nov. 23, 2014:** After a long illness, Quinn dies in Vancouver at the age of 71.

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♊ Gemini
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♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Jupiter, planet of expansion, links with Mars today, urging you to rise above the limits you have imposed on yourself. You will accomplish things you had only dreamed of doing.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
You like to be free to do things spur of the moment and nothing will stop you from following your instincts over the next 24 hours.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Don't limit yourself to one particular environment today — get out into the world and see as much as you can.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Feelings you thought you had outgrown or left behind will make a return over the next two or three days but they are nothing to worry about.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
An important relationship will take a turn for the better over the next 24 hours, especially if you openly communicate your feelings.

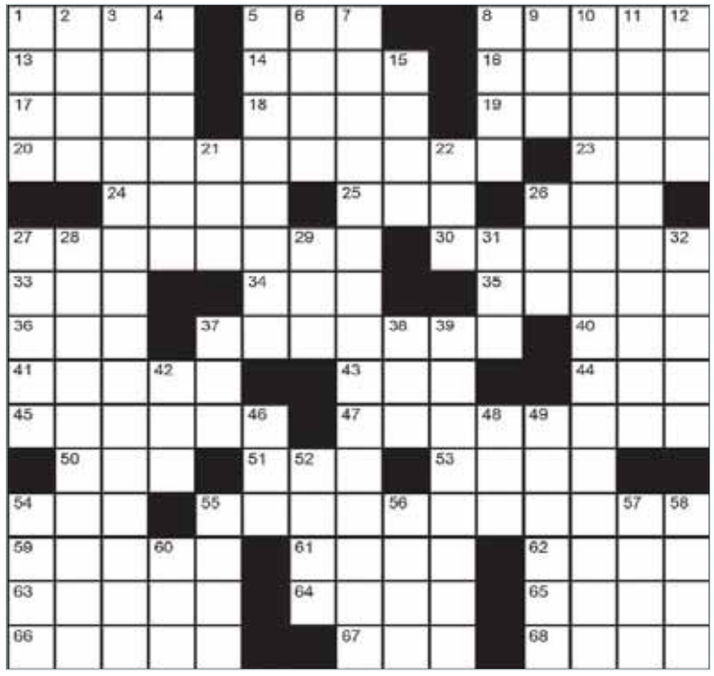
♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Just because you see things differently to most other people does not mean you are out of step — it could mean you are the only one who knows where you are going.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
There is a pattern to recent events. If you look carefully you will see it. Forces outside your control have been guiding you in a new direction. Not a bad thing.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Although Mars and Jupiter form a somewhat tense link today it could also be a useful link. It will certainly help you deal with any difficulties quickly and efficiently.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
You know exactly what needs to be said or done to restore harmony at home or at work, so get on with it.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan



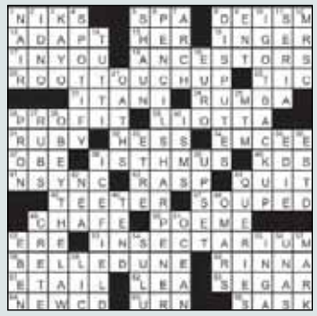
Across

1. Tunesmith Paul
5. Lettuce variety
8. Quebec's __ Peninsula
13. Humorist Mr. Shriner's
14. Harbinger
16. Particular plaudit
17. Organic compound
18. Gracious
19. Red Square's at-rest ruler
20. Steel-__ __ (Victorian-style shapewear)
23. Genetic info carrier
24. Beloved
25. Spacecraft riders, briefly
26. New newt
27. Harbour haul
30. Washington state city
33. "Tik __" by Ke$ha
34. Shakespearean word
35. Actress Sophia
36. Have payments
37. Gains back
40. Banned pesticide
41. Lyricist Sammy's
43. Train unit
44. "Phooey!", in ye olden days
45. "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" (1992) star Ms. Swanson
47. 1800s warship
50. Org. for Spike Lee, Steven Spielberg, Oliver Stone, etc.
51. Keats specialty
53. "Arriba": Hit for what Canadian dance music singer?
54. Cigarette danglee
55. One of two Neil Young songs that Lynyrd Skynyrd's "Sweet Home Alabama" is a response to: 2 wds.
59. Alicia Keys' "Brand ___ __"
61. Canucks ...the first letter is a __ _, whilst the fifth, being little, isn't
62. Show allegiance
63. Entangle
64. Paving stone
65. Portion
66. "Dancing with the Stars" alum Ms. Sliwinska
67. Tripled letter
68. Li'l bootcamp officers

Down

1. Caught in _ __ of lies
2. El __ (Warm ocean current)
3. It leads to Dawson City in the Yukon: 2 wds.
4. Snoozing
5. Sidewalk surface
6. Puccini aria: "_ __ Babbino Caro"
7. Illuminati, and others: 2 wds.
8. Canadian composer Mr. MacDermot
9. __-inspiring
10. Born-in-Scotland Canadian engineer (b.1827 - d.1915) known for Standard Time: 2 wds.
11. Magazines and newspapers: 2 wds.
12. __ Turnblad, role in "Hairspray" (2007)
15. Chirper's creation
21. Water holder-backer
22. Cornerstone abbr.
26. __-friendly
27. Warehouse merchandise
28. E.M. Forster book-turned-movie: 2 wds.
29. Ms. Richie, to pals
31. Mr. Gore's
32. Staked, in poker
37. Alphabetic sequence
38. 'Jag' add-on (Posh car)
39. Externalizes
42. Intelligence org. in The States
46. __-hoo!
48. Neither here __ there
49. Population count
52. Gives nicknames
54. Newfoundland & Labrador town: L'__-au-Loup
55. Ms. Ward
56. Elevs.
57. Mine passage
58. Goalkeepers' guardees
60. "The A-Team" star, __. _

Yesterday's Crossword



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2	9	4	8	1	7	5	6	3
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5	6	7	9	4	1	8	3	2
9	1	8	2	3	5	6	4	7

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*2013 John Deere 35D Mini Hoe, 170 Hrs, AC, Q/A, Aux/Hyds,Yanmar Diesel, Rubber Tracks
*2005 Caterpillar 301.8 Mini Hoe Rubber Tracks, 2089 Hrs, W/ 12in Digging Bucket
*1996 Caterpillar 320B TrackHoe, W/ 66in Cleanup, Aux/Hyds, Thumb

CRAWLER DOZERS

*1999 Komatsu D58PCrawler Tractor LGP Wide Track, 6Way Blade, A/C, Joy Stick Controls, 130 HP
*International TD20 Crawler Tractor W/Twin Tilts, 2 Barrel 2 Shank Ripper

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*2003 Caterpillar 430D Extendahoe, 4x4, 4in one Bucket, Pilot Controls, Aux/Hyds, Q/A
*Gradall G3WD Cummins Power 6 Spd, 4x4

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*1993 Caterpillar 613C Single Engine Elevator Scraper, 5246 Hrs, 3116 Cat Power 175 Hp, 11 Yard Bowl

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*2008 Komatsu WA500-6 Wheel Loader, 353Hp, Auto/Manual Transmission, 8.2 Yd Bucket
*Fiat-Allis FL10-B Track Loader, W/3 Shank Ripper, 110hp, 1.8 Yard Bucket

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*2007 Case 335B 6x6 Rock Truck, 410 Hp, 26.6 Yard Dump

TELEHANDLERS & MAN LIFTS

*2008 Gehl Telehandler, 60ft Lift, 8,000 lb Capacity, 4x4, Crabcrawl, Foam Filled Tires
*2007 SkyJack 600AJ, Articulating, 4x4, Diesel Power, 3600 Hrs
*1997 Snorklelift Pro 100, 3500 Hrs 10ft Jib, 4x4, Extendable Axles

FORKLIFT

*Bluechip Forklift, 4x4,4500lb 30ft lift, Diesel Power, 7500 Hrs, Closed Cab
*Komatsu FG30-11 Pnuematic Tire Forklift, 6,000lb, 2 Stage, Propane, 2500 Hrs
*Unreserved*Caterpillar 5,000lb Forklift, Propane, Cushion Tire, 3 Stage, 2 Speed
*Unreserved*1997 Toyota 3,000lb Forklift, Propane, Cushion Tire, 3 Stage, Side Shift
*Unreserved*1999 Clark 5,000lb Cushion Tire, 3 Stage, Side Shift, Propane
*Unreserved*Toyota F5BR18 Electric Forklift, 3 Stage, 48 Volt, W/ Charger

SKIDSTEER

*2010 Bobcat T320 Skidsteer, Steel Tracks, 2,400 Hrs, Q/A, Dual Controls
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*Caterpillar AP-200 Paver, 34 Hp

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*Bank Repo*2012 Polaris Razor 900 116 Hrs, 2123 Miles, Winch
*Bank Repo*2011 Yamaha Rhino Sport Utility, 145 Hrs, 1297 Kms, Winch
*Bank Repo*2011 Arctic Cat 800 Sled, 153 Track,
*Bank Repo*2011 Polaris Pro 800 Pro 163 Track, 47 Hrs, 768 Miles
*Bank Repo*2009 Polaris 800 Sled
*Bank Repo*2006 Prairie Schooner 36ft 5Th Wheel Holiday Trailer, Tri Axle, 4 Slides,

GRAVEL TRUCKS

*1998 Western Star Gravel Truck, Cummins 550 Hp, 18 Spd, 46 Rears Double Lockers, Rear plumbing
*1999 Sterling Gravel Truck, Cummins 450 Hp, 18 Spd, 40 Rears, 15ft Box
*1988 Ford L9000 Gravel Truck, 13spd Cat Power, 15ft Box
*2007 Ford F350 Single Axle Gravel Truck, Diesel, 35.000 Miles
*2002 Ford F550 Single Axle Gravel Truck, 7.3 Diesel, 4x4

GRAVEL TRAILERS

*1986 Trojan 3 Axle Gravel Wagon Electric Tarp, Current Safety, 14/06
*1993 Trojan 3 Axle Gravel Wagon, Spring Ride
*2000 Renn 14ft Tandem Axle Pup
*2004 Midland HX450 Quad Wagon 26ft Air Ride, Fresh Safety 15/03

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*New 2014 Oasis 16ft Car Trailer 3500lb Axles Hideaway Ramps
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* Unreserved*2006 Ford F-450 Service Truck, 6L Diesel, Auto, 4x4,

SPECIALTY TRUCKS

Needs Motor Work
*1997 Dodge 2500 Service TruckV10, Auto, 4x4, Needs Motor Work
*2000 Freightliner, FL80 Service Truck EX Atco GasCummins, 8spd, Crew Cab 53,000km
*Unreserved*2005 Ottawa Shunt Truck Cummins Power, Alison Auto, 270,000 Kms, Needs Transmission Work
*2003 International Swabbing Rig, Allison Auto, DT530, 9,000ft Line
*2001 International Water Truck, Cat C12 Power, 18Spd, 100bbl Tank
*BankRepo*1997 Gmc 3500 Welding Truck, Gas, 5 Spd, 4x4, 177,000K w/Welding Deck, Lincoln SA-200 Welder & Cables

CRANE TRUCKS

*1992 Kenworth T800 Crane Truck, 3406 Cat Power, 18 Spd, 46 Rears
*Bank Repo*1999 Dodge 3500 Crane Truck,Cummins, Auto, 4x4, 199,000K w/ Fassi F45 Knucle Boom, Welding Deck

HIGHWAY TRUCKS

*2000 Freightliner Conventional Detroit 60 Serise, 10 spd, 40 Rears
*2000 Freightliner Fld120,N14 Plus, 13 Spd, W/Boydstrom Auto Carrier
*2000 Sterling Cat Power, 13 Sp W/ Boydstrom Auto Carrier

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